

MIRACLES PROSPERITY

SEPTEMBER POSTOFFICE BUSINESS BREAKS ALL RECORDS.

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THIS WAS A FIFTH MORE THAN SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Business Has Been Steadily Growing for Months and It Serves as a True Index of the Great Revival of Business Activity.

When Assistant Postmaster Sedgwick balanced his cash book for September last evening, he found that the office had broken the record and had done the largest month's business in its history. The cash received for the month was \$51,000, a fifth more than in September, 1896. The phenomenal growth of \$5,000 was a surprise even to the postmaster, but with the opening of the month, he took a great leap and kept it. The month, going far ahead of the corresponding month of last year and the year in excess of the record for the month. During August the receipts were \$46,000. In August, 1896, the receipts were less than \$40,000. Compared to receipts one year ago, the office gain of about 20 per cent, which is a record for the month. The increase in the cash receipts of the month have only been commensurate with the increase in the volume of mail handled and out of the city, to which reference has frequently been made in the past. There has never been a time when so much mail was regularly delivered in the office nor when so much mail reached the office for delivery. The proved business conditions of the West have been faithfully mirrored in the business done through the office here. The great increase in the cash received by the government was not confined alone to the postoffice. In the internal revenue department there was a big jump. The month's cash amounted to \$44,000, against \$39,233.88 for August. The increase for the month is not fairly shown in the figures, as during August and July there were enormous purchases of supplies and stamps that were used during September. The facts are that revenue business here is enjoying a big boom in common with everywhere else. The indications are that the continued increase in the revenue office business during October, and as the advance purchase of stamps and supplies will be a more faithful showing of the real volume of trade for the month.

GET WELL OUT OF IT.

Poolroom Proprietors Decide to Close Carnival Week and Relieve Themselves of Blame.

Should any verdant stranger with a desire to become suddenly rich by betting upon horse races or playing the dynamite tapes come to Kansas City next week, he will be disappointed. The proprietors of the poolrooms held a meeting last night and resolved to close their places on Saturday night and keep them closed during the week, as requested by the Karnival Krewe.

Speaking about the action of the meeting after its adjournment, Charles Oldham, proprietor of one of the poolrooms, said: "We are willing to lose the week's receipts in order to show the people of Kansas City that we have not gone into a scheme to fleece the strangers who will come to the city during Karnival week, as they have been told. We will donate \$25 to the Karnival Krewe, and the same amount to the lighting committee. I think that the week's receipts will be in good shape, and don't want any cussedness that may crop out charged up to the poolroom men."

BIG SMELTER IS BOOMING.

Employs More Men and Is Doing a Bigger Business Than at Any Time Since 1892.

The Argentine smelter has been doing a great business during the past month and is now employing more men than at any time since 1892. It has shipped to foreign ports through the local custom house over 1,500,000 pounds of refined lead in the last month. There is a sharp demand for refined lead abroad and the great surplus stock that was gathered up by the smelter when the lead market was depressed is being sold at a handsome margin for the company. To be able to handle the business the department has increased the number of men and the volume of business handled is greater than at any time since 1892. The roll of the smelter is doing a big business and is doing a big business and is doing a big business.

TOUCHED THE 89 NOTCH.

August Temperature Is Slowly and Steadily Being Hammered Down.

Thick, leaden clouds prevented the sun's rays from warming up matters yesterday afternoon, with the impurity that has characterized its work the past week, and the weather department holds out the promise of fair weather for to-day, with stationary temperature and cool breezes. The minimum was 63. The temperatures by hours:

8 a. m.	66	2 p. m.	86
9 a. m.	67	3 p. m.	88
10 a. m.	68	4 p. m.	89
11 a. m.	69	5 p. m.	90
12 m.	70	6 p. m.	91
1 p. m.	71	7 p. m.	92

THE STRIKE HELPED KANSAS.

Western Mines Doing Far Less Business Since Eastern Miners Resumed Work.

Topoka, Kas., Sept. 30.—(Special.) State Inspectors have been called to-day from Cherokee county to perform the most difficult task connected with his position—draw his salary. He says that the miners are not working as steadily as they were during the big strike among Eastern miners. While that was in progress, he says, considerable coal was shipped East, and besides, the Kansas operators were somewhat alarmed and increased their surplus. Now there is no trouble anywhere, and business has slackened up.

Judge Thomas Parish Fatally Ill.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 30.—(Special.) Judge Thomas Parish, of the circuit court, died at his home in this city. It is thought he has cancer of the stomach. Very little food has passed his lips in two weeks. Judge Parish is a Democrat, and has been prominent in state politics for twenty-five years.

Equal Representation Favored.

Winona, Minn., Sept. 30.—The Minnesota Methodist conference to-day, by an almost unanimous vote, declared itself in favor of equal representation in the general conference. The proposition was debated quite warmly and finally adopted by a vote of 22 to 6.

DATE FOR BRYAN.

Announced That He Is to Speak Here Wednesday Night—Grand Stand—Admission 25 Cents.

Mr. John Sullivan dropped into The Journal office last night. "I just came in to tell you," he said, "that we have made arrangements with William J. Bryan to speak here next Wednesday night. Yes, he will speak under the auspices of the Democratic Free Silver Club. We arranged it this afternoon. A committee of us saw him."

"How much does he charge?"

"Oh, we don't have to pay him anything."

"Where'll he speak?"

"At the grand stand of the Krewe, right here near you."

"Any admission?"

"Yes, we've decided to make it 25 cents. He'll stand on the platform built for the queen and talk to the people in the stand. There is nothing on but the Priests of Pallas ball that night, and this will help us out if it is a fine night. We have been at great expense building the stands. Bryan will be here two hours. Do what you can for us."

Mr. Walter S. Halliwell was called up by telephone.

"What's to be the admission to the Bryan speech—25 or 50 cents?" he was asked.

"What's that?"

"The Bryan speech Wednesday night at the grand stand of the K. K."

"Never heard of it."

"Has the K. K. given permission to use the grand stand?"

"The K. K. has had no meeting to-day."

"Who runs the grand stand?"

"John Sullivan. He has the whole charge of it—He and Schmeizer."

"Then Sullivan can do with it as he pleases."

"Yes, he runs it."

"It was learned from other sources last night that Mr. Sullivan's statement, that the Free Silver Club pays Mr. Bryan nothing was true. It was at the same time learned that he had half the grand stand and would not agree to speak on any other terms."

"The Karnival Krewe to get the other 50 per cent or is it to go to the Democratic Free Silver Club?"

"If it goes to the Free Silver Club, what rental is the Karnival Krewe to get for the grand stand?"

"Who and what did Mr. Sullivan mean by saying, 'We have been at great expense'?"

"But these, and others, are puzzling questions."

LATER.—Mr. Sullivan called up The Journal office by phone late last night to give the names of a committee.

"Who gets the profits from this speech of Bryan?" he was asked.

"Why, 'er, the Free Silver Club."

"Where does the K. K. come in?"

"Why, the club rents the K. K. K."

"When did the club rent?"

"To-day."

"What's the rental?"

"The K. K. K. The K. K. wanted to fill in the vacant date Karnival week and has been on the lookout for good attractions."

"And it considered Bryan a good attraction?"

"Yes, it did—that is, hold on now, of course it did or it wouldn't have rented to the Free Silver Club, see?"

GROUP SIX OF MISSOURI BANKERS.

Mexico, Mo., Sept. 30.—(Special.) Group six of the Bankers' Association of Missouri convened in Mexico this morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of electing officers. The object of the meeting was to elect more thorough officers.

The following were present: Chairman, W. C. Harris, Fulton; secretary, Samuel Sharp, Montgomery City; executive committee, L. C. Loker, Mexico; W. J. F. Clark, Paris; J. H. Babcock, Moberly; O. J. Martin, St. Charles; and Charles T. Clifford, Clarksville.

RELIEF FOR ILLINOIS STRIKERS.

Spring Valley, Ill., Sept. 30.—Relief was given out to 60 families at the mine to-day. The Northern Illinois miners are more determined than ever. They are at the head of the strike, and are confident of the great national strike. If they go to work at wages lower than the scale, the miners of Pennsylvania and Ohio will follow them. Upon the subject of prescribing textbooks two views are held. One is that the board of curators should select the books and require the professors to teach them; the other is that the selection should be left to the professors, as is done in every other university in America.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

The president yesterday afternoon signed the commissions of over 200 postmasters.

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M. U. IN GREAT LUCK.

WILL ESCAPE A THREATENED REIGN OF PARTISANSHIP.

NO POLITICAL REORGANIZATION.

POLITICAL ECONOMY PROFESSOR HICKS NOT TO BE OUSTED.

Dr. Brown Also Likely to Remain—Board of Curators to Meet in Columbia Textbooks—Question of Selecting Textbooks to Come Up.

Columbia, Mo., Sept. 30.—(Special.) Notwithstanding various rumors to the contrary, there will be no changes in the faculty of Missouri university for political reasons. There will be no revolution or upheaval of opinion's sake. The schemes of the peanut politicians to use the university for the payment of political debts have been effectually squelched by the board of curators. No removal will be made, for the present at least, in the various departments, and none of any kind until after long, careful and thorough investigation. The board of curators decided upon this course when the meeting of the entire faculty, which was to have been held in Columbia on September 25, was indefinitely postponed. The executive board meets in Columbia October 1, but no radical action will be taken by it.

Formal investigation has been made of two professors. The board, upon charges preferred, appointed, to report on the accusations against Dr. F. C. Hicks, a committee consisting of Judge Noah M. Given, of Harrisonville; Hon. C. H. Wells, of Platte City; and Judge O. D. Brown, of Edina. Dr. Hicks, it will be remembered, was charged with using his position as professor of political economy to indoctrinate the university students with Hamiltonian, small, monopolistic and imperial theories of government. This committee has never held a formal meeting, but evidence has been presented to its various members and to the board, tending to show the falsity and injustice of the accusations. The testimony of Dr. Hicks' students of all shades of political belief and of other people acquainted with the facts has agreed in disproving the charges.

To another committee, the board of curators referred the question of selecting a series of textbooks for use in the department of political economy. This committee consists of Congressman M. E. Benton, of Neosho; Hon. Gardner Lathrop, of Kansas City; and Judge O. D. Brown, of Edina. Dr. Hicks is a free silver Democrat. Mr. Lathrop a Republican and Judge Jones a Populist. This committee was also to investigate charges against Dr. William C. Brown, professor of chemistry. The main charge made against Dr. Brown is that he indoctrined, in a public place, last fall, the dismissal of free silver employees by Dr. Crawford, of St. Louis. Dr. Brown denies that he made any such statement in a public place; that the only remark he made upon the question was made in a private conversation, and that it was not libelous to the contrary. Dr. Brown's friends claim that much of the opposition to him comes from his vigorous stand in favor of disciplining the students who ran away from the university last fall to play football in Old Mexico.

Dr. Hicks has not been called together, and nothing is known of his probable action, save from the general feeling of its members and the testimony of Dr. Hicks' students. The postponement of the meeting of the entire faculty has been attributed to the fact that Dr. Hicks' friends claim that much of the opposition to him comes from his vigorous stand in favor of disciplining the students who ran away from the university last fall to play football in Old Mexico.

Upon the subject of prescribing textbooks two views are held. One is that the board of curators should select the books and require the professors to teach them; the other is that the selection should be left to the professors, as is done in every other university in America.

The latter case, it is held that unless the board has sufficient confidence in the teachers to trust them in matters of textbooks, it should dismiss them and employ others whom it can trust. It is also suggested, that even if the board of curators is to select the books, the general public should at once assert that political reasons had dictated their choice, and that the university was to be converted into a political machine. The Columbia Herald to-morrow will say:

"The country press is stirred up over the matter. With scarcely an exception, the newspapers agree in condemning the reduction of political methods into the university. It is pointed out by the Democratic journals that such action would tend to offset the effect of the Andrews incident, which showed the intolerance of the English Republicans, and would have a bad political effect, as it would injure the school. The newspapers that favor radical action are few, and are mainly those which express the utmost confidence in the educators. The alumni and friends of the school, while diligent in presenting facts in the case, express the utmost confidence in the educators' final decision dictated by prudence, wisdom and accordance with the best interests of the school."

"OFFICIAL" CUBAN ADVICES.

Insurgents Have Lost 235 Killed in Ten Days and the Spanish Just Six.

Havana, Sept. 30.—Eight hundred of the Spanish troops, sick, wounded or otherwise incapacitated, sailed for Spain to-day. During the last ten days, according to "official" advice, the insurgents have lost, during the various skirmishes, 235 killed, among whom were five majors and thirteen officers. They have lost also twelve taken prisoners and 214 firearms. Two hundred and nine armed insurgents and 433 unarmed, among whom were seven officers, have surrendered during the same period. The Spanish columns have lost three officers killed, three wounded and ninety-nine wounded. Rain is now falling in all parts of the island.

CATTLE FOR CUBA.

Prominent Texas Buyer Has a Contract to Supply Ten Thousand Head Per Month.

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 30.—Otto Roehlin, a prominent cattle buyer of this section, has a contract with the Spanish government to ship 10,000 head of cattle a month for several months to Cuba. He is the market for large purchases. He has been buying in Mexico and making his shipments via Tampico, but is now trying to weaken of her hold upon the cattle market in Texas by buying up cattle, which will be concentrated at convenient points and shipped from Galveston.

UNITED STATES AND SAMOA.

A Berlin Dispatch Says Germany Will Object to Any Weakening of Her Hold.

Berlin, Oct. 1.—According to a well informed Hamburg correspondent, President McKinley has instructed the new United States consul at Berlin to give an opinion as to an alteration of the Samoan treaty. It is believed that the United States intends to invite a new conference. Germany is certain to object strenuously to any weakening of her hold upon the islands. The complete cession of the group of islands to England would meet with far more support here than an American occupation.

YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

Little Change at New Orleans or Mobile—Seven Cases Discovered at Clinton, Miss.

New Orleans, Sept. 30.—There was neither improvement nor aggravation of the yellow fever situation here to-day. Cases were numerous reported, and as early as 6 o'clock threatened to equal, if not exceed, the number of last night, but at that hour the death record was small. The fever seems to be slowly spreading around town, but up to the present time no nest of cases has been found, and the authorities have thus been able to carry on their work of quarantine with some success. Many of the case within the past few days have been found in houses where sickness already existed, but the instances are rare when the fever has been transmitted from one house to another adjoining. Yesterday's record of four deaths created some alarm, but when to-day up to night time there was no evidence that the pace set yesterday was being kept up, the city breathed much easier. The record to-day was as follows: Deaths, 3; new cases, 25.

Total cases of yellow fever to date, 228; total deaths from yellow fever to date, 25; total cases absolutely recovered, 60; total cases under treatment, 140.

The record was noteworthy from the fact that the fever crossed the river, one case being reported from Algiers. Algiers has 15,000 population, is the landing place for the Southern Pacific steamers, the site of the Southern Pacific shops, and has maintained partial quarantine against New Orleans from the beginning of the fever here.

Chief Sanitary Inspector Woods said to-night that the situation generally is not very bad, because only in a very few cases were fatal results apprehended. Most of the patients are getting well. Half a dozen were discharged to-day.

Edwards, Miss., Sept. 30.—A summary of the state board of health, gives the following statistics: There has been one death from yellow fever to-day, that of C. H. Noblin. There are twenty-nine cases of yellow fever to-day. Total deaths to date, nine; number of cases to date, 285; number of convalescent cases to date, 138; number now under treatment, 121.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 30.—The official bulletin of the board of health shows one death and six new cases of yellow fever. All the new cases are located in the infected district. Total cases to date, 74; total deaths to date, 11; discharged, 30; now under treatment, 33.

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 30.—The Texas county quarantine against all Texas cities and towns has been resumed. The freight traffic has been resumed.

Washington, Sept. 30.—A summary of the progress of the epidemic up to the close of the day yesterday, made in the office of the region general, shows a total of 62 cases and 6 deaths in the entire country. Deaths: Edwards, 21 cases and 6 deaths; New Orleans, 20 cases and 24 deaths; Hillsboro, 1 case and 1 death; Mobile, Ala., up to Tuesday night, 53 cases and 2 deaths; Scranton, Miss., 23 cases and 2 deaths; Ocala, Fla., 22 cases and 2 deaths; Barley, Miss., 10 cases and 4 deaths; Cairo, Ill., 4 cases; Atlanta, Ga., Louisville, Ky., Perkinsville, Miss., Beaumont, Tex., 1 case each, the cases at Louisville and Beaumont proving fatal.

OKLAHOMA PRECAUTIONS.

Guthrie, O. T., Sept. 30.—(Special.) Five passengers from Houston, Tex., who have been away from the city for some time, returned to-day. They were quarantined in a locked car to-day. The territorial board of health has issued orders that the passengers of all trains entering and leaving the territory be examined and that all passengers, baggage or freight from any infected point in the South be quarantined until they are pronounced healthy.

Suspicious Case at Nashville.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 30.—A negro who came into this city from Huntsville, Ala., last night, was taken to the city hospital and carried to the county pest house, five miles below the city, where he is being treated for a fever. The case is being watched by the health officers, and it is believed that it is a case of yellow fever.

Seven Cases at Clinton, Miss.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 30.—The state board of health has just received a telegram from Clinton, ten miles north of here, and midway between this city and Edwards, acknowledging that there are seven cases of yellow fever at that place. It is feared that the delay in getting an expert to Clinton will result in a wide spread of the disease at that point. The Illinois Central railroad is arranging to run a special train in order to carry northward those people who desire to leave Clinton.

TO SUCCEED AZCARRAGA.

Feeling in Washington That Senor Sagasta Is to Be the New Spanish Premier.

Washington, Sept. 30.—The feeling that Sagasta is to be the coming Spanish premier either at once after the resignation of the present premier, or in the event of his resignation, leads to many favorable comments on his ability by those who know him personally. A leading American diplomat, one who has been conspicuous in Spanish-American affairs, said to-day that Sagasta's assumption of office undoubtedly would have an important and beneficial effect upon the Cuban question and the relations between the United States and Spain. He is now past 70, but still retains the vigor that made him a natural leader of the Liberals in earlier days. Of all the Spanish statesmen, he is regarded as the most friendly to the United States, and his long career has been marked by the vigor that made him a natural leader of the Liberals in earlier days.

ANOTHER CABINET QUIT.

Greek Government Defeated in Boule and the Members Promptly Resigned.

Athens, Sept. 30.—The Greek cabinet has resigned. The boule (legislative assembly) met to-day to consider the peace treaty with Turkey and the political situation in general. The galleries were crowded and the proceedings were followed with intense interest. M. Ralli, the premier, mounted the tribune and, after reviewing the events of the past few days, he proposed a resolution to the effect that the cabinet should resign. The boule defeated the resolution by a vote of 93 to 30. This defeat prevented M. Ralli from continuing in office with the cabinet as then constituted, and the members resigned.

Better Than Klonidze Claims.

Topoka, Kas., Sept. 30.—(Special.) Senator Titus, Populist, of Harpoot, tells this: George and William Goodley, two brothers, who have been as poor as Job's turkey for the past six years, this year raised 200 bushels of wheat. They contracted to sell 10,000 bushels at 55 cents before the crop was harvested. They have sold the other 15,000 bushels for 85 cents. George Landers is another farmer who hit it rich this year. He had 1,000 acres of wheat and cleared \$20,000 off it.

Coinage Record Broken.

Philadelphia, Sept. 30.—The United States mint in this city has just completed the week's output of gold coins. The counter statement for September is as follows: Gold, \$2,252,375; silver, \$24,022,50; 5 cents, \$18,130; 10 cents, \$4,472.

BOSTON'S PENNANT.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP FOR 1897 DEFINITELY SETTLED.

NO WAY FOR BALTIMORE TO WIN.

BOSTON DEFEATS BROOKLYN AND WASHINGTON BEATS BALTIMORE.

Should the Orioles Win the Rest of Their Games and Boston Lose, the Orioles Standing Would Give the Latter Four Points Advantage.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Although Boston has one more game to play with Brooklyn, and Baltimore will play two more with Washington at the Monumental city, the race for the league pennant of 1897 practically came to an end with the conclusion of to-day's game at Eastern park. Boston won the game, while Washington trounced the champions, which leaves Boston the undisputed champions for 1898. Even should Baltimore win both their games they can only attain a percentage of 70 points. Should Brooklyn win from Boston, Saturday, the latter would still have a percentage of 70.

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